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SUBJECT: OECD STEEL CONSULTATIONS

REF: TOKYO 6333

1. WE ARE DISTURBED BY IMPLICATION OF REFTEL THAT GOJ  
WILL NOT BE PREPARED AT OECD COUNCIL MEETING NOW SCHEDULED  
FOR WEDNESDAY MAY 4 TO AGREE TO FORMATION OF AD HOC GROUP  
ON STEEL. THIS WOULD BE CONTRARY TO UNDERSTANDING REACHED  
IN TOKYO LAST DECEMBER WITH SENIOR MITI OFFICIALS WHERE  
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IT WAS CLEAR THAT OUR PROPOSAL EXTENDED TO DISCUSSIONS  
WHICH WENT BEYOND A SIMPLE FACT-FINDING EXERCISE.

2. AT THE REQUEST OF THE EC WE AGREED TO HOLD OFF ON OUR  
PROPOSAL UNTIL AFTER APRIL 21-22 BILATERAL US-EC CONSULTA-  
TIONS IN BRUSSELS. AT THESE EC AGREED TO FORMATION OF  
A GROUP WITH ITS TERMS OF REFERENCE TO BE WORKED OUT

AMONG US, EC AND JAPAN. EC HAS NOT MADE PRIOR AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF REFERENCE A CONDITION FOR OECD COUNCIL ACTION TO SET UP THE GROUP. IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT GROUP WOULD NOT MEET UNTIL (A) OECD SECRETARIAT HAS COMPLETED A FACTUAL STUDY OF STEEL SITUATION AND (B) EC, US, AND JAPAN HAVE AGREED ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT MOVING AHEAD WITH CLEAR INTENT TO TAKE UP WORLD STEEL SITUATION MULTILATERALLY IS IMPORTANT AND SHOULD NOT BE FURTHER DELAYED. EMBASSY SHOULD, THEREFORE, SEEK ASSURANCES FROM APPROPRIATE GOJ OFFICIALS THAT THEY WILL NOT CONDITION THEIR AGREEMENT TO OECD COUNCIL ACTION TO SET UP AN AD HOC GROUP ON PRIOR AGREEMENT ON TERMS OF REFERENCE.  
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